

ESL Basic Course Overview

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Course(s): **ESL BASIC**
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Course Overview

The **ESL Basic** curriculum is designed to enable learners to meet the Level 2 World-Class Instructional Design and Assessment (WIDA) Consortium English Language Proficiency Standards for English Language learners in grades 6-12. It is designed to move students along the proficiency continuum from level 1 to level 2 of the WIDA standards. In this course, students are expected to demonstrate mastery/proficiency of all the WIDA 6-12 standards at level 2. The course also reinforces and contributes to the development of other standards in the areas of Career Readiness, Life Literacies, and Key Skills, Computer Science and Design Thinking, Visual and Performing Arts, Language Arts Literacy, and Social Studies. This course is designed for high school students who score below the cut-off point on the WIDA Screener Assessment. Its purpose is to develop oral language proficiency in English reading and writing readiness skills. Students receive 5 class periods of instruction per week.

Modifications

Special education students

- Additional time
- Modified assignments
- Tutoring assistance and note takers in class
- Individualized learning pace
- Taking a class under a pass/fail condition
- Permission to write dictated questions before composing responses
- Permitting examinations to be read orally, dictated, or typed; alternative test formats

English language learners

- Use of home language on assessment instructions

- Use of relevant vocabulary and/or pictures
- Facilitate the use of student's target language through the use of language translator between teachers and students
- Heavy reliance on visual clues and body language

Students at risk of school failure

- Verbal encouragements
- Reducing the number of questions in a task
- Allow students to use alternative ways of completing a task (in writing, orally, visually)
- Pairing with a gifted or talented student
- Reduce stress factor with one-on-one meetings and making accommodations according to individual needs
- Regular and timely check-ins and correspondence to elicit support from counselor and family

Gifted and talented students

- Differentiated instruction
- Higher level contest
- Use of higher grammatical structures
- Pair with native speakers

Students with 504 plans

- Personalized modifications
- Follow 504 plan guidelines
- Breaks between tasks
- Have contingency plans
- Use de-escalating strategies
- Chart progress and maintain data

Materials and Resources

Inside the USA. Deborah Short, Dr. Josefina Villamil Tinajero, Alfred Tatum, David Moore, Gretchen Bernabei. National Geographic Society Publisher. 2010.

Pathways Foundations: Reading, Writing, Critical Thinking. Mari Vargo. Laurie Blass. Cyndy Fettig. National Geographic Society Publisher. 2014.

Oxford Picture Dictionary

Content Specific Standards

WIDA STANDARDS

1. **Social and Instructional Language**
2. **The Language of Language Arts**
3. **The Language of Mathematics**
4. **The Language of Science**
5. **The Language of Social Studies**

Interdisciplinary Standards

[NJSLs Social Studies](#)

6.1.12.History CC.11.b: Analyze the roles of various alliances among nations and their leaders in the conduct and outcomes of the World War II.

6.1.12.Civics PD.16.a: Construct a claim to describe how media and technology has impacted civic participation and deliberation.

6.1.12.Econ NE.16.a: Make evidenced-based inferences regarding the impact of technology on the global workforce and on entrepreneurship.

6.1.12.Econ NE.16.b: Evaluate the economic, political, and social impact of new and emerging technologies on individuals and nations.

6.1.12.History UP.16.a: Analyze the impact of American culture on other world cultures and determine the impact of social media on the dissemination of American culture

6.1.12.History CC.16.b: Determine past and present factors that led to the widening of the gap between the rich and poor, and evaluate how this has affected individuals and society.

6.2 World History: Global Studies by the End of Grade 12

6.2.12.GeoPP.1.a: Determine the role of natural resources, climate, and topography in European exploration, colonization, and settlement patterns.

6.2.12.GeoGE.1.c: Assess the role of mercantilism in stimulating European expansion through trade, conquest, and colonization

6.2.12.HistoryCC.3.b: Explain how industrialization and urbanization affected class structure, family life, the daily lives of men, women, and children, and the environment.

6.2.12.CivicsPI.4.a: Compare and contrast socialism, communism, fascism, and liberal democracy, analyze the extent to which they promote and protect civil, political, social and economic rights for people, and explain the reasons for their growth or decline around the world

6.2.12.GeoSP.4.b: Determine how geography impacted military strategies and major turning points during World War II.

6.2.12.HistoryUP.4.b: Report on the influence of war, economic depression, and genocide on the arts, cultural values, and social ideas.

6.2.12.HistoryUP.4.c: Compare and contrast the actions of individuals as perpetrators, bystanders, and rescuers during events of persecution or genocide, and describe the long-term consequences of genocide for all involved.

6.2.12.EconGE.6.c: Relate the rise of the Internet and social media to global economy.

6.3 Active Citizenship in the 21st Century by the End of Grade 12

6.3.12.HistoryCA.1: Analyze the impact of current governmental practices and laws affecting national security and/or First Amendment rights and privacy (e.g., immigration, refugees, seizure of personal property, juvenile detention, listening devices, deportation, religion in schools).

6.3.12.HistoryCA.2: Analyze a current foreign policy issue by considering current and historical perspectives, examining strategies, and presenting possible actions.

NJSLS Visual and Performing Arts

1.4.12prof.Cr2b: Examine the collaborative nature of the actor, director, playwright, and designers, and explore their interdependent roles.

1.4.12acc.Cr2a: Develop a dramatic interpretation to demonstrate a critical understanding of historical and cultural influences in a devised or scripted theatre work.

1.5.12prof.Pr4a: Analyze, select and curate artifacts and/or artworks for presentation and preservation.

1.5.12acc.Pr5a: Evaluate, select and apply methods or processes appropriate to display artwork in a specific place.

1.5.12acc.Re7b: Evaluate the effectiveness of visual artworks to influence ideas, feelings, and behaviors of specific audiences.

1.5.12adv.Cn11a: Assess the impact of an artist or a group of artists on the beliefs, values and behaviors of a society

Career Readiness, Life Literacies, and Key Skills

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9.2.12.CAP.2: Develop college and career readiness skills by participating in opportunities such as structured learning experiences, apprenticeships, and dual enrollment programs.

9.2.12.CAP.4: Evaluate different careers and develop various plans (e.g., costs of public, private, training schools) and timetables for achieving them, including educational/training requirements, costs, loans, and debt repayment.

9.2.12.CAP.5: Assess and modify a personal plan to support current interests and postsecondary plans

9.2.12.CAP.6: Identify transferable skills in career choices and design alternative career plans based on those skills.

9.2.12.CAP.8: Determine job entrance criteria (e.g., education credentials, math/writing/reading comprehension tests, drug tests) used by employers in various industry sectors.

9.2.12.CAP.13: Analyze how the economic, social, and political conditions of a time period can affect the labor market

Computer Science and Design Thinking

[NJSLs Computer Science and Design Thinking](#)

8.1.12.CS.2: Model interactions between application software, system software, and hardware.

8.1.12.CS.3: Compare the functions of application software, system software, and hardware.

8.1.12.IC.1: Evaluate the ways computing impacts personal, ethical, social, economic, and cultural practices.

8.1.12.IC.2: Test and refine computational artifacts to reduce bias and equity deficits.

8.1.12.IC.3: Predict the potential impacts and implications of emerging technologies on larger social, economic, and political structures, using evidence from credible sources

8.2.12.ITH.3: Analyze the impact that globalization, social media, and access to open source technologies has had on innovation and on a society's economy, politics, and culture.

8.2.12.ETW.4: Research historical tensions between environmental and economic considerations as driven by human needs and wants in the development of a technological product and present the competing viewpoints.

Pacing Guide

Marking Period	Theme	Topics	Essential Questions
MP 1	Greetings and Introductions	Newcomer	What are the basic language structures and conversational language needed to introduce

		introductions School in America Scheduling	yourself, identify objects, and create common English phrases?
MP 2	Welcome! Let's Eat.	Household items Rooms within a Home Food Food groups Grocery	What vocabulary and phrases do we need to describe a house and the food that we bring home from the grocery store?
MP 3	Solving Problems in My Community	Careers Communities Equality	What are the jobs that people have that contribute to the success of their communities and how do people use their skills to create social change toward equality?
MP 4	Tell Us a Story	Fiction Non-fiction Fables Folklore Creating One's Own Story	What are the elements of fictional stories such as fables and folktales stories and how do those stories connect us to cultural traditions and histories around the world?

Formative and Summative Assessment

FORMATIVE ASSESSMENTS

Marzano Scale
 Thumbs Up, Thumbs Down
 Mini whiteboards
 Google Voice Calls
 Ticket out the Door/Exit Tickets

Digital Exit Checks (Poll Everywhere, Socrative, Google Forms)
Four Corners
Sequence Cards
Snowball Fight
Window Panes
Planned speaking assessments
Postcard
List Three Things
Venn Diagram
Hand In, Pass Out
Write It Down
Think Pair Share
Think Write Pair Share
Doodle It
Two Roses and a Thorn
Twitter Voting
Backchannel/Todaysmeet
Digital Cork Board: Padlet
Jigsaw Groups
Answer the Essential Question (Verbally or Written)
Make Predictions
Self-Assessment
Web/Concept Map
ePortfolio Check
Journal Entry
Inside-Outside Circle
One Sentence Summary
Sentence Frames
Talk a Mile a Minute
Tic-Tac-Toe/Think-Tac-Toe
3-2-1: 3 things you found out, 2 interesting things, 1 question you still have
Numbered Heads Together
Gallery Walk
Just Like Me (Stand up if you....)
Stand up, Hand up, Pair up

SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENTS

Each marking period has one summative assessment. Each summative assessment includes all three modes of communication that measure the students linguistic and cultural proficiency according to the NJSLs.

Interpretive Task
Interpersonal Task
Presentational Writing/Speaking Task

BENCHMARK ASSESSMENTS

Midterm and Final Exams

These benchmark assessments provide students' linguistic and cultural proficiency level in each of the three modes of communication.

ePortfolios

Students upload evidence of linguistic and cultural proficiency, use Can Do Statements to identify proficiency in each of the modes of communication, and set goals about moving to increased proficiency.

ALTERNATIVE ASSESSMENTS

Multiple choice questions

True/False questions during Interpretive tasks instead of exact fact recall

Main idea identification for Interpretive reading/listening task

Essay writing instead of interpersonal oral tasks

Narrations for comprehension check

Oral dictations

Recorded Presentational tasks that can be done from home/after school then viewed at a later date

Grading Procedures and Evaluation

GRADING GUIDELINES

In accordance with Board policy, grades are assigned each quarter. A final grade is determined and transcribed for courses at grades 6 – 12. In terms of proficiency the East Brunswick grades are as follows:

A	Excellent	Advanced Proficient
B	Good	Above Average Proficient
C	Fair	Proficient
D	Poor	Minimally Proficient
F	Failing	Partially Proficient

Grades will be determined by a variety of assessment strategies. In addition to interpretive, interpersonal and presentational performance assessments, students will be evaluated on cooperative group participation, note-

taking, open-ended question responses, interpersonal conversations, ePortfolios and/or supplemental projects.

Grading Weights for Quarter Grades

10% Homework

10% Classwork/Participation

30% Presentational and interpersonal speaking

50% Interpretive and presentational writing

Final grades are weighted as follows:

Each quarter is 20% of the final grade. The midterm is 10% of the final grade, and the final exam is 10 % of the final grade.

Midterm exam grades are averaged into the second marking period and final exam grades are averaged into the fourth marking period. The final grade for the course is the average of the four marking period grades.

COURSE EVALUATION

Course achievement will be evaluated annually. In this course the goal is that a minimum of 95% of the pupils will meet at least the minimum proficiency level (D or better) set for the course. The department will analyze the achievement of students on unit assessments and final course grades and for final course grades the achievement of sub-groups identified by the state to determine if modifications in the curriculum and instructional methods are needed.

Other Information

SCED

01992 English Proficiency Development

English Proficiency Development courses are designed to assist students in acquiring the skills necessary to pass proficiency examinations.

Course Name (ESL)

Course #	School #’s	Course Level	Grade(s)	Credits	Min. Per Week	Elective/Required	Initial Course Adopted
1245	050	ESL	10-12	5.00	210	Required	04/21/1986

PRIMARY CONTENT AREA AND SECONDARY AREAS OF FOCUS

NJ Student Learning Standards

Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key Skills
Comprehensive Health and Physical Education
Language Arts Literacy

NJ Student Learning Standards

SMathematics

Science

PSocial Studies

NJ Student Learning Standards

PComputer Science and Design Thinking
PVisual and Performing Arts
PWorld Languages P